

FISCAL NOTE

SB 669 - HB 885

April 28, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires all Class III railroads to maintain and keep in repair every public road crossing for a distance of 10 feet on each side of the railroad tracks and between the tracks on all roads not maintained by the state. Currently they are required to maintain all crossings regardless of who owns the road.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$500,000 - Highway Fund

Estimate assumes:

- Implementation of this bill would shift responsibility for the maintenance of railroad crossings on state roads from railroad companies to the state.
- Approximately 20 state owned crossings per year are in need of repair.
- The cost to repair each of the state owned crossings is approximately between \$25,000 and \$100,000.
- The cost for traffic control and signs associated with these crossings is between approximately \$1000 and \$5000 per crossing.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director